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OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM UTILIZING THE COMPOUND AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME Examiner: HIGGINS, GERARD T.

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached is a copy of a Chinese Office Action along with an English translation thereof, dated January 9, 2009 for incorporation into the above-identified application. The references cited in the attached Office Action were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 28, 2006.

The PTO is requested to make the Office Action/Search Report of record in the file of the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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